

of the case by a suspicious division in the court, and a third judge took over.

The process has revealed that the charges against the Yoga school were promoted by three families whose daughters were suffering bad treatment before entering the Yoga school, from their mothers and fathers. (In the first case the woman was charged by her stepfather of showing strange behavior, that he ascribed to the Yoga School and its alleged "brain washing" by members of the school).

The stepfather, with his so called "expert" in cults Mr. Silletta started a virulent campaign against the Yoga School, through the media. Last March, the third judge started the second process against the yoga school (double jeopardy, "non bis in idem"), victimizing three women, Veronica Cane, Valeria Llamas, and Carla Paparella and under petition of their parent declared them mentally "incapable" without taking into consideration their psychiatric reports compulsorily ordered by the first judge Berges. The three women, hopeless, came to my home in order to ask me, as a well known human rights defender, for help.

That is the reason why I am here. I have tried to speak with Judge Corvalan de la Colina, and with the Secretary of the court, but it was useless, the judge never received myself nor the three women. It seems he is accustomed to ignoring the arguments of anyone who knows what is happening in his court.

This is why I have decided to present my testimony as a witness at this briefing, in order to protect the above mentioned women, and to carry over my experiences as a member and founder of human rights NGO's, such as the Assembly of Human Rights, The Center for Legal and Social Studies, and the Movement for Life and Peace.

Thank you very much Honorable Representatives.

A TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN LOUIS "DEAK" CHILDRESS

HON. CALVIN M. DOOLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, August 5, 1999

Mr. DOOLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Captain Louis "Deak" Childress, who is leaving his post this month as the Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station Lemoore, in Lemoore, California. For the past three years, Captain Childress has dedicated himself to improving the quality of life of the Lemoore community and expanding the base's military capabilities.

Captain Childress began his Naval career in 1973. He has held numerous assignments, including flying the F-4 Phantom from the decks of the USS *Nimitz* and USS *Forrestal* in Oceana, Virginia, serving as an instructor pilot at NAS Miramar in San Diego, and serving in the Persian Gulf as Senior Naval Representative to COMUSNAVCENT's contingency planning cell in Dharhan, Saudi Arabia.

In March of 1995, he was promoted to his current rank of Captain, and reported as the Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station, Lemoore in July of 1996. While serving as Commanding Officer of the base, Childress has played a vital role in improving the facilities and quality of life at NAS Lemoore. Responding to the concerns of his sailors and pilots regarding living conditions on the base,

Captain Childress facilitated visits to the base by members of the defense committees in Congress and high-level Navy officials. He has led efforts to build the base's infrastructure, which resulted in the 1998 announcement that five squadrons of the new F/A-18E/F Super Hornet Fighter aircraft will be based at Lemoore, bringing an additional 6,000 personnel to the base.

Captain Childress' continued efforts to improve conditions at the base is exemplified by the changes that have been made over the last three years under his leadership. Some of these accomplishments include his implementation of the innovative Regionalization Business Analysis, facility renovations in anticipation of the new F/A-18E/F program, and brand new housing facilities.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in congratulating Captain Childress for his devoted service to the Navy and the Lemoore community. He has distinguished himself as an innovative leader and dedicated Navy Captain. We wish him the best as he leaves Lemoore to continue his service to the Navy.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE MARRIAGE OF DAVID GOODWIN AND KERRY JANAS

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, August 5, 1999

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas David Goodwin and Kerry Janas were united in marriage on Saturday, August 7, 1999 in Cleveland, Ohio;

Whereas, David and Kerry declared their love before God, family and friends;

Whereas, David and Kerry may be blessed with all the happiness and love that two can share and may their love grow with each passing year;

Whereas, from this day forward, David and Kerry will always remember the reason they vowed their love and commitment to each other. Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating David and Kerry Goodwin on their recent nuptials.

WILBUR "PONY" WILSON: AN ATHLETE'S FRIEND

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, August 5, 1999

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that the Rutgers University-Camden community is informed about the passing of Wilbur "Pony" Wilson. Pony Wilson served the Rutgers-Camden campus as athletic director for almost 30 years. He passed away this past Saturday evening. Few will deny Pony's true legacy is his commitment to encouraging students to pursue their studies and their dreams. He believed that education, not sports, was the driving force for young men and women who competed in athletics at Rutgers-Camden.

In an interview prior to his retirement, Pony noted "What's most rewarding is that kids

now—since the late 60's and early 70's—are graduating. When you talk about the percentage of the kids that played [sports], we had a high rate on the basketball teams who got their degrees."

To many, Pony was not only a colleague or a coach, he was a friend to professors and students alike who passed through the Rutgers-Camden campus. The current Athletic Director, Ed Cialella, who was Pony's first hire in 1969 when he joined the college as an Assistant Instructor of Physical Education, reflects, "We lost a friend of athletics, and an athlete's friend."

During his tenure at Rutgers-Camden, Pony developed the athletic department from a five-sport program—with no on-campus facilities and no women's teams—to one that boasts as many as 14 teams with ample competition for both genders. He was known throughout the NCAA Division III conference for his belief that education, not sports, was the priority of the men and women at Rutgers-Camden.

Pony believed that "student athletes are students first." On behalf of all those lives that Pony Wilson touched, I would like to convey my most sincere condolences to his family. May his unfailing commitment to university athletics and education continue to live on in every one of us.

SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ASKS BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT (BART) TO AVOID STEEL PRODUCED BY STRIKE BREAKERS

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, August 5, 1999

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in commending the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco for their adoption of a resolution, which was unanimously adopted on Monday, urging that Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) refrain from purchasing steel rails produced by strikebreakers at Oregon Steel's Rocky Mountain Steel Mill in Pueblo, Colorado. This principled action reflects the Supervisors' deep concern for the safety of Bay Area public transport consumers, as well as their commitment to defending fair labor practices in San Francisco and across our nation.

The Rocky Mountain Steel Mill in Pueblo, Colorado, illegally replaced 1,100 striking steelworkers in 1997. This outrageous and illegal action is only the most recent in a long record of that company's reckless disregard for the welfare of its own employees. This rogue corporation has been charged by the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) with over 100 violations of federal laws, and has been found guilty by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) of 62 willful and serious health violations, resulting in the second largest OSHA fine in the history of the State of Colorado. Communities have both the right and the obligation to expect higher standards of conduct from the entities that do business with them.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly support the Supervisors' request that BART refuse to purchase rails for the San Francisco Airport expansion project from the Rocky Mountain Steel Mill.